# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:820
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CUTTING OF TREES FOR HOUSEHOLD ACTIVITIES
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is aware that the local villagers are not even allowed to cut Mango tree, Guava tree, Jackfruit tree, Palm tree, Coconut tree etc. for their household construction due to ban on felling of trees; and

(b) if so, the concrete steps being taken by the Government to extend usage of these trees for the local household activities?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) and (b) Felling of trees on forest lands is regulated by the prescriptions of working plans. For felling of trees grown on non forest lands various State/UT Governments have their own laws, rules and regulations. Felling of trees can be done under these provisions subject to the judicial orders, if any.